PRICE OUTLOOK THIS WEEK FOR VIRGINIA FARMERS

This is the way prospects for Virginia farm prices looked to the Virginia Department of Agriculture on Friday. The Department offers it to farmers with the warning that no one can predict prices and be right all the time.

Feeder Cattle

Three spring fodder calf-yearling sales are on tap in Virginia this week. Sales are scheduled in Richmond on Wednesday, in Christiansburg Thursday and in Winchester on Friday.

The feeder-stocker sales got under way last week and prices, particularly for steers, were higher than a year ago.

The best demand was for steer calves under 600 pounds, and those grading good and better were mostly $24 - 27 per hundredweight. Steers weighing 600 to 1,000 pounds and grading good and above brought $23 - 25. Good and above heifers were mostly $18 - 21.

At the Lynchburg and Dublin sales last week,steers brought about $4 more than last year with heifer prices up $1 - 2.

Truck Crops

It looks now as if the freeze of March 26-27 may materially increase Virginia growers' competition from Southern areas at harvest time.

The cold weather in the states to the South of Virginia willed early plants and delayed the harvest of some crops.

The strawberry crop in the Carolina's and Tennessee was seriously damaged and shipments will be 'elayed from two to three weeks. Prospects are for a good yield in Virginia.

Growers down South had to replant much snap bean acreage, and this delay in their crop will mean more competition when Virginia beans are sold.

The watermelon situation is muc the same. All the states south of Virginia will be late with their melon crop, and June-July supplies will probably be very large. That will mean a heavier itinerant truck traffic in melons this year.

Another effect of the freeze may show up in a shortage of tomato plants for the middle stage of planting in Virginia. Georgia plants were badly hurt by the freeze, and it is uncertain just what supply will be available there.

Potato

Potato pirces jumped sharply last week under the pressure of dwindling supplies of old stocks, freeze damage to new potatoes, and speculation.

This short supply period will probably mean good prices on into May.

Broilers

Virginia broiler prices will probably level off around the low of last week's range—or they could drop off a cent—this week.

Then, through the rest of April, they will decline a bit more.

Supplies are on the upgrade and will reach last year's level in a week or ten days. They continue up into May, and it looks like a weakened market is in prospect.

Eggs

The New York egg market picked up 1 cent on nearby eggs and 2 - 4 cents on Westerns last week, and this strength was refelcted in Virginia.

With the end of Easter demand, storage interests evidently moved back into the market to take eggs before warm weather pushes quality down.

As hot weather approaches, producers should gather eggs more often and cool them properly before packing to keep quality up.

WEIGHT REDUCTION

"Don't go on a diet—change a food habit" is the emphasis of the weight-reduction programs being conducted in Virginia home demonstration clubs.

Miss Janet Cameron, nutritionist at VPI, says weight - reduction programs were conducted last year in 37 counties. Eight counties completed a 4-month program, with 140 women enrolled. The average weight as they started was 170 pounds. 2,000 pounds, or an average of 15 pounds per woman were lost.

The follow-up has been encouraging, Miss Cameron says. For example, 43 women in Chesterfield carried through with the group, but have helped over 400 people reduce.

APRIL, MAY ARE KEY MONTHS IN SAFETY

April and May are key months in a new 4-H and FFA safety program.

Farmers throughout Virginia will be contacted by club members who are selling and applying reflective materials to farm equipmnt. It is part of a campaign to have all farm equipment correctly marked with the reflective tape. Tape can be easily seen at night, and is a valuable aid in reducing accidents.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ORGANIZED FOR STATE BEEF CATTLE PROGRAM

The initials "BCIA" may not mean much to most farmers these days. But someday soon they will be familiar to every beef cattle producer.

BCIA stands for Beef Cattle Improvement Association.

It is believed to be the first such organization formed in the United States.

The record of performance program has been in existence on a limited scale in Virginia for about two years, and to cooperating breeders is proving a profitable measure of total production and quality of production for each sire and dam in the beef herds. County Agent Jim Smith explains that the program provides a sound basis for selecting good producers and culling losers.

In brief, it points the way to cheaper, quicker, and better beef production. Someday, it is hoped, it will mean as much to the beef cattle producer as dairy herd improvement associations have meant to the dairyman.

All breeds now are included in the steadily expanding program, Smith says. Interested cattlemen should contact the County Agent's office.

Officers of the Association's new board of directors are: W. L. Clover, Charlottesvile, chairman; A. W. Frame, Waynesboro; James A. Tilson, Lexington; A. K. Randolph, Keene; Fred W. Scott, North Garden; Ralph H. Matthiesen, Hume; D. W. Mason, Pearisburg, and Curtis Mast, animal husbandman at V. P. I. Clover and Frame represent the Virginia Aberdeen-Angus Association; Tilson, Randolph, and Scott, the Virginia Beef Cattle Producers' Association; Matthiesen and Mason, the Virginia Hereford Breeders' Association. A member will be selected by the Shorthorn Breeders' Association.

Among the policies set forth by the board are these:

(1) Any bull entered by a breeder in the program must include the enrollment of all his calves.

(2) Farm identities will be kept secret in the annual reports of the program.

(3) A list of the top 10 % of the bulls for each of the breeds, based on the index values of their calves, will be made available to BCIA members at the end of each year.

(4) Herds which are creep fed and where nurse cows are used will be listed in a separate group from those herds in which no creep-feeding and no nurse cows are used.

JAMES RIVER W. M. U.

The annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the James River Association wil lbe held with the Dillwyn Baptist Church on April 28.

Theme of the session will be: "When I Survey."

Included on the program will be a missionary message by Miss Blanche Sydnor White, former executive secretary of the W. M. U. of Virginia. She will speak at 11:45.

TERMITE DAMAGE PREVELANT IN MANY COUNTIES

Termite damage to homes and wooden buildings is on the increase throughout the state, reports Jim Smith, County Agent.

The weekly survey of insect activity in Virginia shows termite reports from Rockbridge, Roanoke, Loudoun, Lee, Gloucester, Dickenson, Patrick, Northampton and Appomattox Counties. Several references on control are available from the agent's office.

Tobacco flea beetle acitivity in the plant beds is light to date, but is expected to increase. Control measures will be needed in some beds.

CARGO MOVEMENTS THROUGH VIRGINIA PORTS INCREASE

Cargo movements through Virginia ports during the last quarter of 1954 showed an icrease of 38.9 per cent in comparison with the same period of 1953, according to figures released today by the Virginia State Ports Authority.

The increase represented 1,699,076 tons.

WALT DISNEY'S IN DEBT

Unusual as it may seem, ' Walt Disney goes for broke on every project he undertakes. Even now, with all his success, he owes the bank $8,000,000. Read the revealing story of Disney's debt in the May 1st issue of the

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STRAWBERRIES RESISTANT TO VIRUS

Gardeners and commerical growers in the eastern part of the United States now can buy virus - free strawberry palnts in 24 varieties.

Virus-free strawberry plants were first offered to growers last year. Varieties of the 1954 virus-free list included the following recommended for Virginia: Albritton, Dixieland, Pocahontas, and Tennessean. This year, the following recommended varieties have been added: Blakemore, Tennessee Beauty, and Tennessee Shipper, reports Jim Smith, County Agent.

Smith pointed ouu that the most strawberries grown at present are affected by viruses. Nursery plantings, to be safeguarded, should be isolated from other wild or cultivated strawberries by at least 3,000 feet, and the plants should be dusted every two weeks, until late fall, with parathion, or malathion dusts, for aphid control. Aphids are blamed for carrying strawberry viruses from plant to palnt.

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NEWS FOR VETS

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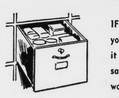

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ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance and cash items in process of collection	
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	
4. Other bonds, notes and debentures	
5. Corporate stocks (including $360.0 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	
6. Loans and discounts (including $9.36 overdrafts)	
7. Bank premises owned $16,109.13, furniture and fixtures $6,663.09	
11. Other assets	
12. TOTAL ASSETS	

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	
17. Deposits of banks	
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	$2,129,790.0

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital Stock: (c) Common stock, total par $50,000	
26. Surplus	
27. Undivided profits	
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	

MEMORANDA

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	

I, T. DeWitt Evans, cashier of the above-named bank do swear that the above statement is true to the best of my and belief.

T. DeWitt Evans, Cashier.

State of Virginia, County of Appomattox, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of April, 1955, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
Rachel F. Lawson, Notary Public.
My commission expires 3-15-58.

Correct—Attest:
C. S. Jenkins
C. T. Moses
A. R. Harwood, Jr.
Directors

AHS Newscast

By Jane Holt

Appomattox, Virginia
April 19, 1955

around here this ... dition of our gym ... Friday, the 22nd. ... and Coach Gor... really been busy ... everything in line. ... the high school ... welcome the ... es will be put on ... the fields of tum... and volleyball, ... will go through the ... exercises.

... is presenting its ... The cast has been ... since has started. ... The Purple Moon' ... under the able ... Harriett Holley ... Morris. The cast is ... Robinson, Shawn Mab... ... Betty Mitchell, ... Carol Myers, Peg... ... Wesley Newcomb, Rob... ... McDearmon, Bill ... Maynard Beane. We ... the cast as much success ... presenting their play ... ad.

... our baseball team ... Lexington as their opponent ... high school field. It was ... exciting game, being tied ... from the first half of the last ... O'Brien saved the ... a homer at this time ... score, Appomattox ... Frank Cawthorne ... inning for this game. ... the boys journey ... River. As the A. H. S. team ... Dan River here, we ... for them to continue the ... by chalking up an... victory Friday.

... welcome many new ... school, as the result ... coming through Ap... hope that you will ... here as enjoyable as ... you to ...

... Club, under the spon... Mary Taylor, went ... to Charlottesville Saturday on an educational tour. They visited various places of interest such as the University of Virginia and Monticello.

Today, the Dixie Music Club had its regualr meeting. The country they chose to study this week was Scotland. Mrs. Wiley Morris talked to the club about the music of Scotland, and played records of Scottish music.

This concludes the local happenings around A. H. S. this week. Be looking for news from me next week, same place.

'Til then,
Jane.

School Cafeteria Menu

Monday, April 25.- Macaroni and cheese or cheese sandwich, turnip greens, Brown Betty, milk.

Tuesday, April 26.- Meat loaf, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, string beans, bread, butter and milk.

Wednesday, April 27.- Wiener in roll, tomato juice, baked beaus, and milk.

Thursday, April 28.- Balogna sandwich, potato salad, Jello with fruit, cookie and milk.

Friday, April 29.- Baked salmon loaf, green butter beans, baked tomatoes, milk.

MORE DUCK PONDS FOR HOG ISLAND

According to Charles Gilchrist, marshland specialist of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, three new duck ponds will be constructed at Hog Island during this coming summer, barring hurricanes, H-bombs or continuous wet weather.

The two duck ponds destroyed by Hurricane Hazel last autumn have been repaired, Gilchrist says, and it is hoped therefore that there will be a total of five duck ponds on Hog Island by next fall.

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Rocks

Rocks, April 18.- Revival services each evening at 7:45 through Saturday night. Rev. W. H. O'Neal, of Andersonville is doing the preaching.

Quite a few attended the revival meeting at Evergreen on Tuesday night from here.

Wilson Almond, Mrs. D. R. Inge and Mrs. M. H. Marks attended the Association at Ash Camp Church at Keysville on Wednesday.

Emmett Dinkins was in the neighborhood Sunday afternoon.

A few of the W. M. S. members had prayer meeting in the home of Mrs. C. S. Ranson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harding and her father, J. P. Ransone, Sr., of Victoria were visiting Mrs. W. F. Ranson and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frank Ranson Sunday.

Joe Almond, who works in Richmond spent 'he week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Almond.

Mrs. Toby Inge taught a mission study class at Evergreen for the W. M. S. members on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. D. R. Inge and Mrs. M. H. Marks attended the Association at Hebron on Thursday.

A few attended the supper at Mr. and Mrs. Dave Childress' on Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and Steve, of Waynesboro spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach.

Mrs. Clara Garrett spent the week-end at Pamplin with Cassie Baldwin.

Ruby Richardson spent Sunday with Charlene Ranson.

Mary Edith Ranson spent Sunday with Ann Ranson.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Maude Ranson in the loss of her sister, Mrs. R. R. Davis, of Pamplin.

A few from here attended the funeral of Mrs. R. R. Davis Thursday afternoon.

PAMPLIN HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Home Demonstration Club of Pamplin met Monday with Mrs. Edwin Fore. Mrs. H. T. Terry had charge of the devotional. After a business session, Mrs. Ernest Harwood and Mrs. B. G. Anderson gave the demonstration on patterns and geneal dress making. It was decided that each member is to make a garment and bring it to the May meeting. Mrs. Fore served refreshments to the club. There weer fourteen present.

Subscription rate: $2.00 a year payable in advance.

Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, April 19.- Dinner guests Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill and daughters, and Becky Reynolds visited Don Owen, of Randolph, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scruggs Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Leitner visited friends here Monday evening.

Mrs. Bill Sperry and daughter, of Farmville visited in the home of W. W. Thornhill Sunday afternoon.

The Vera P.-T. A. will held the regular monthly meeting at the school April '27, at 7:30 P. M.

LATE EWE LAMBS MAKE POOR MOTHERS

Late ewe lambs don't make the grade when kept over for yearling stock ewes, according to a four-year experiment conducted at VPI Agricultural Experiment Stotion.

The late ewes are distinctly poorer than either ewes produced from selected "early" ewe lambs or from Northwest crossbred ewes from Montana. In the test, three kinds of yearling ewes were compared: (1) Commerical or "stockyards" native ewes produced by buying "late" ewe lambs that are light in weight and low in grade on the markets in late summer. (2) "Selected" native ewes, produced by keeping back the best early ewe lambs portduced in the Station's grade ewe flock. (3) Northwest crossbred (Hampshire by Rambouillet) ewes obtained from Montana.

The most important difference among the three kinds of ewes was the number of lambs raised to market age, or weight per ewe bred. The early native ewes were best in this respect, weaning 1.02 lambs per ewe bred, followed closely by the northwest ewes with an average of .95 lambs per ewe bred. The commercial late native ewes were a poor third with only .64 of a lamb produced to market age per ewe bred.

Lambs from the early native ewes also had the highest slaughter grade, averaging low choice (on old grading standards), while both the northwest and late natives produced lambs averaging top good.

The fastest growing lambs were those produced by the northwest ewes. They averaged .52 pounds per day. Lambs from the early natives averaged .51 pounds per day, and those from the late natives averaged .48 pounds per day. All these ewes were tested as yearlings. Higher gains might be expected from mature ewes of either kind.

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Pamplin

Pamplin, April 19.- Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson and son, Larry, are spending this week at Durham, N. C. Their daughter, Mrs. Harold Tolley is a patient in Duke Hospital.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. H. T. Terry last week-end were Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Robinson and children, of Charlotte Court House; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Terry and children, of Cumberland; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Terry, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wingfield, of Richmond, and H. T. Terry, Jr., of New Jersey.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sydner Mann last week were her mother, Mrs. Spence, of Keysville and her sister, Miss Mario Spence, of Raleigh, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Jones, of N, C. were week-end visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dickerson.

Braxton Dickerson, of Portsmouth spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Sotuhall spent Sunday in the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Horton Miller Southall, of Lynchburg.

The Woman's Business Circle of Elon Baptist Church met Wednesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McClenny.

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WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY . . — April 27-28
Dan Daily in
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